

NEW APPLICATION

BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS

ROBERT "BOB" BURNS - Chairman
BOYD DUNN
SANDRA D. KENNEDY
JUSTIN OLSON
LEA MRQUEZ PETERSON

In the matter of: DOCKET NO. S-21085A-19-0271
FOREX & BITCOIN TRADER, TEMPORARY ORDER TO CEASE AND
Respondent. DESIST AND NOTICE OF
OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

NOTICE: THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY
RESPONDENT HAS 20 DAYS TO REQUEST A HEARING
RESPONDENT HAS 30 DAYS TO FILE AN ANSWER

The Securities Division ("Division") of the Arizona Corporation Commission
("Commission") alleges that respondent Forex & Bitcoin Trader is engaging in or is about to engage
in acts and practices that constitute violations of A.R.S.  44-1801, et seq., the Arizona Securities
Act ("Securities Act") and that the public welfare requires immediate action.

I.
JURISDICTION

1. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Article XV of the
Arizona Constitution and the Securities Act.

II.
RESPONDENT

2. Forex & Bitcoin Trader ("F&B" or "Respondent") is an unincorporated entity that is
not registered as an entity in Arizona.

1 informing her that her application has been approved and stating that she had 24 hours to send an
2 initial investment of \$1,000 by Venmo. The email signature block was for “Paul Tam Sing (Account
3 Manager)” with the New York address and the telephone number with the 732-area code.

4 9. Subsequent emails and texts from F&B over the next three weeks repeatedly asked
5 the Arizona resident to invest and provided a PayPal account to invest in. F&B also asked the Arizona
6 resident if she had visited their website for information and explained that in exchange for her
7 investment the Arizona resident would receive a “link user and password to track the progress.”

8 10. On October 25, 2019, a second Arizona resident contacted F&B by text using F&B’s
9 phone number with a 732 area code. This Arizona resident asked for more information on bitcoin
10 investments. F&B responded by confirming that they have bitcoin investments and directed the
11 person to the Website. This Arizona resident visited the Website and reviewed the materials on it.
12 The Website’s content was unchanged from the content in September except that F&B now listed
13 the UK address as described in paragraph 4 above.

14 11. On its Website, F&B includes the following FAQ:

15 Is F&B licensed as a broker?

16 Yes. F&B is authorized for trading in financial and commodity-
17 based derivatives and other securities, including foreign exchange.

18 12. F&B is not, however, licensed as a dealer or salesman in Arizona; it is not registered
19 or licensed as a dealer, broker, salesman, investment adviser, or investment adviser representative in
20 any state or by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, an independent regulator of securities
21 firms doing business in the United States. Additionally, F&B is not a member of the NFA, the self-
22 regulatory organization for the U.S. derivatives industry.

23 13. In its Craigslist ad, on the Website, and in the ad emailed to an Arizona resident, F&B
24 repeatedly claims that returns on the investment are guaranteed. Nowhere on its Website or in
25 correspondence with the Arizona residents does F&B disclose any risks of investing in bitcoin,
26 crypto currencies or foreign currencies.

1 Persons with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation such as a sign language
2 interpreter, as well as request this document in an alternative format, by contacting Kacie Cannon,
3 ADA Coordinator, (602) 542-3931, e-mail kcannon@azcc.gov. Requests should be made as early
4 as possible to allow time to arrange the accommodation.

5 **IX.**

6 **ANSWER REQUIREMENT**

7 Pursuant to A.A.C. R14-4-305, if Respondent requests a hearing, Respondent must deliver
8 or mail an answer to this Temporary Order and Notice to Docket Control, Arizona Corporation
9 Commission, 1200 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, within 30 calendar days after the date
10 of service of this Temporary Order and Notice. Filing instructions may be obtained from Docket
11 Control by calling (602) 542-3477 or on the Commission's website at
12 www.azcc.gov/divisions/hearings/docket.asp.

13 Additionally, the answering Respondent must serve the Answer upon the Division. Pursuant
14 to A.A.C. R14-4-303, service upon the Division may be made by mailing or by hand-delivering a
15 copy of the answer to the Division at 1300 West Washington, 3rd Floor, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007,
16 addressed to Ryan Millecam.

17 The answer shall contain an admission or denial of each allegation in this Temporary Order
18 and Notice and the original signature of the answering respondent or the respondent's attorney. A
19 statement of a lack of sufficient knowledge or information shall be considered a denial of an
20 allegation. An allegation not denied shall be considered admitted.

21 When Respondent intends in good faith to deny only a part or a qualification of an allegation,
22 Respondent shall specify that part or qualification of the allegation and shall admit the remainder.
23 Respondent waives any affirmative defense not raised in the answer.

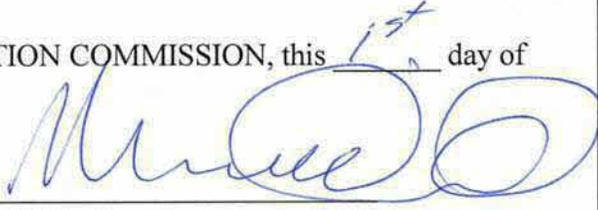
24 The officer presiding over the hearing may grant relief from the requirement to file an answer
25 for good cause shown.

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BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION, this 1st day of

November 2019.



Mark Dinell
Director of Securities